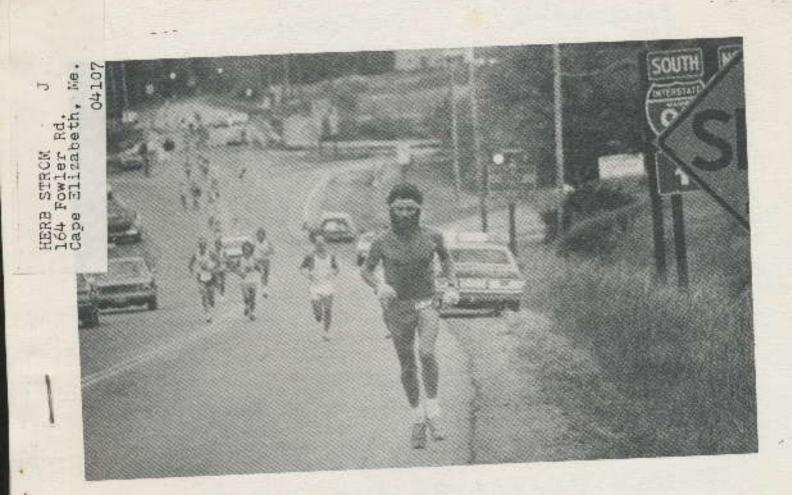
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Remember when I told you how flat the Paul Bunyan Marathon was? I'm sorry. Apparently Mary Margaret Roseberry found a slight ripple on Kelly Road that I had forgotten. On this month's cover her husband, John Frachella fights his way over the last appreciable hill in the 1980 race; AT THE 13.5 MILE MARK! That's John Moncure edging up on him, with a cast on his arm no less.

Frach is back with the second installment of his article on nutrition and
the athlete. The Deacon finishes his
long run through the Rowdy Ultra and
Sam Schuman takes us for a trek through
Central Park. Pam Hennessey writes
"Mainely About Women" and Skip lets
us know what's flowing through his
mind.

I'm sitting here on the eve of departing for Bermuda, sipping a Mich and trying to keep my mind on winter running in Maine. (I had to rub it in a little)

This is the 12th issue of "Maine Running" to appear. It has been a very quick year. I hope all of you enjoy reading it as much as I enjoy bringing it to you. Thanks for helping me through.

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Deke picks up where he left off; the starting line of the Rowdy Ultra.

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1st 3RD ANNUAL SNO-FEST 5 MILE ROAD RACE. Augusta Civic Center (UMA Portion). 10:30 start. Entry fee \$1.50. Contact: Marty Thornton 623-3682 or Greg Nelson 582-5607. See flyer Jan issue.

8th 2ND ANNUAL ATLANTIC FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN 5 MILER. 12 noon at the SMVTI in S. Portland. \$2.00 Entry Fee. Contact: Lloyd Cook 797-3725

15th 2ND ANNUAL "THE MAX" 10 MILE ROAD RACE. 12 noon at SMVTI, S. Portland. \$2.00 Entry Fee. Contact: Tom Peterson 655-7460

16th Dunfey's 4 Mile Run. Portland. Contact: Larry Peirce

22nd 1ST ANNUAL (maybe) SNOWSHOVEL 5K. 12 noon at Bangor Mall. Entry Fee \$2.00 (all proceeds go to Running Programs of Maine) Sponsored by the Athletic Attic. All participants receive an Athletic Attic T-shirt.

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This years Bermuda trip was a huge success. Although Saturday was rainy, Sunday was a perfect day for sunbathing and watching a marsthon. It was 70° with a mild breeze.

Laura and I got drowned in a down pour on Saturday that almost stalled our bike, but my shoes dried in time to be resoaked in the marathon. It seemed very hot to one used to subzero weather. Tom Bell and Bill Hine ran super marathons finishing 15th and 16th respectively.

The Maine contingent made itself known in the 10K race with Andy Palmer almost mowing Bruce Bickford down for 9th place. Hank Pfeifle finished 15th in the field of 523. Joan was the third woman finishing In 46th place.

After the marathon, and with some major league blisters on my feet Laura and I danced the night away at Disco 40 with Van and Carol Raymond of Bangor.

John Flora and Charlette Lettis, by the way, are the disco champs of the very fast set although Dave McGillivra and Grete Waitz cut the rug pretty goo

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Part Two Chapter Two:

By DEKE TALBOT @ 1980

Race Day, I awoke in Sam's basement and heaved aside the abundant covers. In the next room, one of the mystery foreigners, Fred Pilon, was stirring. We had listened with fascination the night before as he told of his exploits in the Old Dominion 100-miler in Virginia. Sam was also hosting Billy Edge and his wife Becky, and the Gagarins from Massachusetts. In fact, all of the foreigners spent the night at Sam's, with the exception of the fellow from Golden, Colorado. We still didn't know where he was.

After a little social muttering we piled into our cars and headed to the assembly-point on the Bowdoin campus. By now I had my schedule figured out. I picked up my number and drove out to the finish-area on the four-mile course loop. I headed my car into the ditch, opened up the hatch, and arranged some plastic Sippity yogurt containers filled with grape juice. I carefully laid out some extra shoes, clothes and a fluorescent vest for after-dark running (I hope you don't need that, Charles, but leave nothing to chance). I then went aboard one of the vans to go halfway around the course, to the starting line.

Colorado had made it. He was wearing a yellow T-shirt with "Clayton Wagner" on the back. Lawson was wearing a pair of nylon pants. The sun came out, and I decided to take off my sweats.

We were done with the psyching, and now all we had to do was to run the thing. We waited a few minutes for some strays to be led to the start. Finally, the call went out. Let's get on with it.



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It didn't take me long to sort out the crowd and find Lawson. I was going to stick to him, no matter what, for as long as I could. I was going to be a parasite; let him accept the pressure of setting the pace while I sit back and suck off bim.

I looked around, to try to see who was behind and who was ahead. Gary Cochrane, true to his prediction. was striding boldly out. He wasn't as bold as canary-colored Colorado, who was now just a yellow dot in front. I couldn't see where Rock Green was.

Before the race, Sam had predicted the winner would come in with a time under 6 hours, and I didn't believe him. I didn't think any of our native crop would be ready for that. Maybe one of the outsiders ... Colorado certainly was making a bid for it, if he knew what he was doing. Would anyone fly in from Golden, Colorado to Brunswick, Maine on a oneday visit without knowing what he was doing?

I had, with a bit of sadness. decided that during this race I would not deviate my concentration to view the surroundings or think about how I felt. If I were to give a good account of myself, I wouldn't be able to give a good account of the race. Now my world was focused on Lawson. His nvlon pants swished, and I wondered when he would be taking them off. I figured that when he did, I would be able to keep running and thus prolong the time I could stay with him. I felt strong, but not very confident. I listened eagerly to his advice.

"You're right-handed, aren't you?" he asked. Obviously a point of great significance. "Right-handed people tend to run with, and push off, the right foot. In a short race you don't notice it, but In a 50 it can really tear you up. Every time you think of it, run off your left foot. Then, you won't wear out as fast."

It became a game. How long would I be able to remind myself of the left-foot theory before my brain has turned to a fine, powdery ash? Keep your head looking over the left foot. Talk to it once in a while. Maybe I would naturally revert to my right foot when I wasn't paying attention, but if I found that my left foot had taken a vacation for a whole lap and had gone off somewhere to soak itself in a hot tub, I would yank it back into service and really beat it for awhile.

After 8 miles, Lawson recommended a pit-tried stop. My bladder wasn't in bad shape, but I obeyed anyway. He said that we should stop twice in the first 15 miles, after which the effects of the coffee and tea should have worn off. We made our second stop at 16 miles. For the next few miles I thought my bladder may have become spoiled by the unaccustomed attention and demand relief every hour, but I was wrong and hew-could h son was right. I renewed my determination to stay with the Master.

One of the roller-skaters, a tall, gawky-looking fellow with knee and elbow pads and arms and legs flailing about. swept past, I tried to imitate his style. Should I tuck my right arm behind my back retty 8 and lean down over my left foot, so I could give my left leg a workout while playing Eric Beiden? The game didn't last long, Toco miles much wasted sideways motion, but it did stretch out the legs a little.

A little later, as we swept around a turn, Lawson abruptly broke stride and lurched to one side. "That's disgusting. Crapping right in the road," he muttered. We came to the conclusion, without judge or jury, that one of the roller-skaters had done it. A runner would have stepped into the woods, but anyone wearing skates would have a hard time moving off the asphalt ... In later loops, we would look for the offending pile again, but it disappeared without a trace.

We looked for the leaders each time we approached the finish-area, where an open field gave a good view ahead. Somewhere out there we knew that Rock was hunting down Colden, Colorado. We saw a yellow speck but decided it was one of the rked "Cl roller-skaturs. At the water-stops we hearlking. S vague reports about the incredible pace that Golden was running. "He may be Golden

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Sudde deed mov now," I predicted to Lawson, "but soon he'll be moving to Leadville." The name of that Colorado mining town had issued into my memory to fit the occasion. I couldn't remember where I had heard of it before.

Lawson had on a watch, and I didn't, so I was sure I was with him when we passed the marathon mark. We agreed that we still felt pretty good for a 3:09. I called out in drill-sergeant's tone, "Yer left..yer left.." as we tried to share the chore of remembering to run left-footed.

A mile later Lawson began to complain of having some trouble with the Wall. I felt guilty, having sucked off him all this time without really taking any share of the pace. For the first time I stopped thinking of just how long I could hang on to him. The Great Scorekeeper was calling out "Advantage..Deke.." just when I wanted it to be at deuce. 1 still need you, Lawson! I set a pace which hopefully would push the wall out of the way slowly. Within 3 miles, to my relief, Lawson had revived. "It must have been a false wall," he chuckled. "It felt pretty genuine for a while."

The Great Wasteland between 30 and long. Too40 miles is the toughest section of the race, and we both knew it. Like a symbiotic 1-legged cell, we plunged without hesitation into that ocean. We were beginning to lap people, but didn't have time to fraernize. The little rises on the course ere becoming hills, steeper on each loop. but together we could manage them. There would be time enough, after 40 miles when occess was in sight, for our partnership o break up amid betrayal and recrimination. ut, though we were pacing each other and haring our strength, we were in a RACE. lways before I had looked at the 50 as a imple matter of survival. Now I had a lan, some tactics, with a reasonable nance of employing them. I was in the all adolescent joy of trying to blow ome people's doors off while running my reballs completely out of my head.

Suddenly we saw the yellow T-shirt is one of the irked "Clayton Wagner" up ahead. He was stops we heardlking. Sometime after the marathon he had ideed moved to Leadville. As we passed him, may be Golden

he gave a look of empty desperation, and for a moment my childish aggressiveness gave way to a pang of pity. I felt no joy plunging my sword into a helpless man.

I soon ran down these feelings and passed them by. The fighting spirit returned, as we tried to calculate what place we were in. We figured that Rock must be in the lead, if he was still running. We hadn't seen Gary Cochrane, and thought he was still ahead; we pushed the pace to try to run him down. Unknown to us, Cary (a/k/a No-Nukes*) had stopped at his car at one point just at the time we were running by, and we didn't see him. Now he was actually behind us, but pressing hard. We silently debated whether or not to ask the water-stop people where we were in the race. We decided against it. thinking the news would be too discoursging.

We pushed up the rise called Rowdy Hill and hit 40 miles in 4:50. I was delighted; the second 20 went by in the same time as the first 20. Lawson was beginning to make some predictions. "If we don't blow it, we should do about a 6:12," he said. My weakened mind began to think in terms of breaking 6:20, which would be under Lawson's old course record and should be enough for me to be happy. My body wasn't listening, Crazy Deke was well in control of the body, and told it to be greedy and go for whatever it had a chance to get.

Lawson and I kept together, getting more excited and wondering which one of us was going to make the break. We began to think ahead of the immediate task, ahead to the gun lap. As we approached 44 miles, we were abruptly brought back to the present, "Asugh, this feels like the real thing," Lawson grouned, and I felt a lead curtain slowly descending around my shoulders.

Somehow I had to make it to the gun lap in one piece. Right foot..(groan) ...left foot..(groan)..wish I had more of my grape juice..drink Coke..legs cold... the Coke took hold and I began to feel a little better and stronger.

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^{*}Perhaps Gary, a CMP employee, can explain this in the next issue.

is we approached the gun lap, Lawson was acill wearing his nylon pants. He obviously meant to wear them the whole way, and they hadn't encumbered him. I looked at my own reddening legs, insulated by that 15.2% layer of fat, and wondered if his legs were warmer and looser. I couldn't wait to respond to Lawson's final drive. I would have to fire the first shot.

We entered the gun lap together, not pausing for a drink. I flattened back my ears, muttered an incantation given to me by John Frachella for special occasions, and took off. I built up a 40-yard lead, but I was at full-bore and there ain't no more. I could feel Lawson behind me, and as we made a sharp turn by the phantom crap-pile I sneaked a look back. He had me in his sights. I never knew that terror was such a good fuel. Surely there couldn't be anything else in my tank. Sorry you ducks, German Shepherd, Rowdy Hill ... I'd say goodbye but I just don't have the time right now. I passed the last water-stop and Bill Gayton cheered me on. Why is he just standing there? No time to ask..no time to find out what place I'm in ... I don't want to know. What if Rock and Gary are not out there and I'm in the lead? After the race, win or lose, I'd be mad about not knowing, but I'm glad that I don't have that burden to carry now. In the woods..push, keep pushing... I don't hear Lawson now, but I don't dare look. He might be playing silent-footsie right behind me, and we'd have another crap-pile on the course if I suffered the shock of seeing him so close.

Finally I came out of the woods and saw the open field to the finish. I began to feel more confidence. Now, will someone tell me what place I'm in? The nearest soul was at the finish-line, and I ran toward it as much for curlosity as anything else. No more groans or left-foot training. I moved out of the ultramarathoner's stiff-legged shuffle onto the balls of my feet and focused upon John Moncure, the course and finishline judge. SIX-OH-FOUR FIFTY...he called, and the subsequent seconds in a too-slow incantation, and I sprinted the last few yards.

I had scarcely leaned over in weariness when Lawson finished, and we quietly embraced. I was stunned by my time but it hadn't sunk in; I still didn't know my place, but for the moment I didn't care. Only the brotherly feeling at the end of a long battle made any sense then.

I looked up and saw Mike Gaige, who gave me a helping hand. He had run a cross-country race at Readfield and had come down, perhaps to run a lap with me, but when he arrived I was on my gun lap. Now, as I talked to him, I felt an immense weakness and lightheadedness. I sent him on an errand to pick up the Sip pity yogurt bottles, out of which I had drunk the grape juice, and which were no lying in a neat pile not far from the finish-line. As I wrapped a wool blanket around myself, I reflected on why I had treated perhaps the best runner in our club like an errand-boy, though I was th President and power has its privileges. My authority came from a different sour He may be fast, he may have run a 2:28 marathon...but just let him run one of these things, Charles! My adolescent juices had not run out, and I was feeli very worthy of respect and obedience.

Gary finished before I had regaine any of my senses, and this confirmed John Moncure's claim that we had actual passed him some time before. Once I kna how long Lawson and I had been shead of Gary, I was amazed at how close he had finished to us. We had each other to pl off, but Gary must have been running alone almost all the way.

After Gary there were some people passing by the finish and running on. There wouldn't be another finisher for a stretch, but I saw Diane Fournier, C ton Mendell and Orlando Delogu go flow ing by with two laps to go, and as I started my car and headed back toward the Bowdoin campus, I cheered Darren Billings onto his gun lap, assuring hi I moved he would finish in under 7 hours.

I drove back to the gymnasium and carrying as little as possible, hobble toward the nearest shower-room. The pl was empty, so I dumped my clothes and would be stepped into the shower. There, finall then, my I realized I was alone.

For a moment I was not alone. In my exhuberance, I shared the shower wislowly, the ghosts of my teammates who stood i

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this very spot 10 years before, after a time-trial. Three of us had just run never-to-be-beaten personal records for the 2-mile, and in the thrill of the moment, nothing exceeded our reach. Over the intervening years I tried, first with confidence, then concern, then desperation, then with apathy, to break my 2-mile mark. Slowly it passed out of my reach until it was completely out of my sight. Innocence and adolescence would die once I recognized my own mortality in that I would never again run a 9:49 2-mile. I disguised the truth by moving on to longer distances, where personal records and growth were easier to maintain. And now these ghosts had appeared to remind me of a moment I would never recapture. They disappeared, and took with them the last of my adolescence.

I left the shower a beaten man. I was left in a state of such utter exhaustion that I didn't have the energy to be happy. I didn't feel particularly happy about beating people, however hard I had tried to do it; the process was so allconsuming that the result was meaningless. So much of the result was pure chance, anyway. If I hadn't met up with Lawson early in the race, wouldn't I have run more slowly and cautiously, allowing him to beat me easily? Now, totally drained, I was sure of it.

Deep from within, my soul whispered, "U.R.", and I realized the way out of my depression. I had run out of U.R.! Maybe I'd be able to borrow some from Phil. I shuffled across the gym to the coaches' locker room and found him, but also found that he had crashed and burned 44 miles into the race. I hoped against hope that he would still be ebullient enough to pull me out of my tailspin. suring him I moved on the the multi-purpose room in the gym, where the after-race dinner would be served, and could move no furmasium and ther. I laid myself out on the floor.

I would rise again when the others would begin to arrive ... fly away until re, finall then, my consciousness, I don't went to feel alone ...

The sounds of moving tables and chairs. shower wi Slowly, the wives and families and helpers

were moving off the course to the site of the after-race party. A few of the participants had come back from the showers at their homes, and were appropriating places at the tables. Bill Gayton had brought along a stereo set and one Waylon Jennings record to help us entertain ourselves. I crawled to my feet to the strains of "Lukenbach, Texas" and found myself a seat, lugging my beer-cooler behind me.

I needn't have worried about Phil. He had been accompanied on his disastrous voyage by Bill, who also had given up the ghost at 44 miles (thus explaining why I had seen him standing beside the road while I was in the midst of my desperate finish). Phil had a partner in his mock-misery. Besides, Lawson had the perfect consolation for him: remembering his own experience at Lake Waramaug, he said, "You have to find out what you can't do before you find out what you can do." Phil was in his usual raw form, telling the story of what happened when he and Bill had agreed to stop at the 44-mile water station. They were walking up Rowdy Hill, less than a quarter-mile from their agreed-upon end, when Phil asked, "Do you want to break into a slow jog?"

"You pecker!" Bill cried. "Don't leave me out here!"

Phil tried to keep talking, but broke into such uncontrollable laughter that I couldn't make out a word. It didn't matter; the laughter itself was enough to lift me high again. The Waylon Jennings record replayed for the seventh time as we waited for the dinner to be served.

The group of finishers had grown larger, but there were a few interested onlookers. Ken Flanders and Dan Barker were there, and like wide-eyed Phase 1 Rowdy children they studied Phil as if planning to imitate him.

Outside, the darkness had fallen and it was raining seriously, according to the reports. I didn't want to find out for myself, and be drawn into using energy feeling sorry for the poor souls still out in the midst of it. The reports filtered in until we were sure that all had finished. But, as it turned out, we could have been held up considerably longer by one of the runners, who didn't want to finish.

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Bob Lizotte had a rather unorthodox method of approaching the race. He decided he would run as far as he could, as hard as he could, and when that didn't work any more, he would walk the reat of the way. True to form, he had run through the marathon in a respectable 3:48, and soon after, began his walk.

He trudged along, and all went well until a weary aid-station attendant mistakenly told him he had 3 laps to go instead of the two laps actually left. He plugged on, unconcerned, through the growing darkness and rain, negotiating the next two laps, until he approached what he thought was his gun lap. Suddenly, out of the darkness, Sam Butcher was grabbing him and telling him he was finished! No, you don't fool me that easily! I know you want to go inside and put up your feet, but don't deny me my right to finish the damn thing! I'll be all right ... Sam didn't know how to convince him that he actually had finished, and they argued in the rain until Sam finally told him his elapsed time. Bob, realizing that this was about the same as his time in the previous year's race, finally capitulated.

Now we were all gathered, and began guffling all the food the Rowdy wives could supply. The food didn't last very long, such was the speed of our consumption, even as we interspersed our eating with guzzles of beer. Once again I was feeling lightheaded and triumphant and giddy.

At one point Ken Flanders left the dining-room to go next door. The stereo was off, and for a moment there was a pause in the talking. At that moment we heard the echoes of some singing from the adjacent bathroom, and we became silent.

".. There's a kind of hush All over the world tonight All over the world you can hear the Of lovers in love..."

There was kind of a hush as we giggled and waited. Ken came through the bathroom

door and met a wall of applause.

The singing wasn't too bad, actually considering that it was an impromptu performance, without competition or a known audience. I rated it a 2:45 on the marathon scale.

Finally it was time for the award ceremony. John Moncure announced the winner, Rock Green, and his 5:55 time. I had to admit to Sam that he was right about predicting that the 6-hour barrier would fall.

Rock would have received no memento of his extraordinary achievement but for Lawson's presence of mind. He rose and went to the podium, feeling justified as the previous year's winner in doing so, and began to take off his ragged, redand-tan plaid wool jacket.

"This jacket was found in the Casin Bar at Lake Waramaug," Lawson said. "It carries a great legacy. None should wear it but the truly deserving. To establish a tradition like that at the Masters gol tournament, I now hand Rock the Casino Jacket, to wear for as long as he shall remain the champion of this great race. Wear it with pride, Rock."

Rock, the new Maine champion, and Lawson, the recently-crowned Vermont 50mile champion, then sat down to decide when and where they would settle the sco of finding out who was the Rowdy champion of the world.

I was called next, and Moncure got in some well-aimed shots at my groaning and my running style. John thought that my moans must have finally worn Lawson out. Sam agreed that I sounded as if I were going through my death-throes when I came up to lap him ... Awright, Charles, my fri so I wasn't picking daisies and breathing through my nose when I lapped you, but i might explain why I was lapping you... Besides, they don't award style points this business.

Clayton Wagner, the man from Colors tened b had long since begun to drive back to in 3 da Boston to catch his flight west, but Sar Wanted decided to give him the Cheatin' Heart would g

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Award, on the presumption that sometime Saturday morning he had left his wife with a note saying he was just going out to get a paper. Gary Cochrane had won last year's award by not telling his wife that he was running the Rowdy, even though she had planned a dinner party for the same evening. Gary had become ineligible for this year's award by getting divorced.

Soon it was Billy Edge's turn to come forward. Rememebering how we had plied him with our Rowdy spirit-medicine the night before, he said, 'You sho' are some funny people up here." Phil replied, "You got that right!"

The rest of the survivors followed. Diane Fournier was next, having run a marvelous, even-paced race, and then Carlton Mendell, impeccably dressed as always, but now hobbling uncharacteristically. The rest trooped up, including Bob Lizotte, who admonished us never to argue with the course referee when he says you've finished the race.

A little later I talked with Sam and he confessed his prime fear about the race. "Ithought that after about 40 miles, I might forget how to run. I mean, what would happen if you had to think about all the motions you have to make? Synchronize the opposing arm and leg movements, get the breathing in tune ... just at the time when your logical functions are falling to pieces. I thought I might just stop in the middle of the road and throw up my hands."

Poor Sam, trying to be analytical about these things. Aren't we all short of a full deck if we run these things to begin with? The answer does not lie in logic.

Have a little more faith in U.R., my friend.

EPILOGUE

I had expected to be totally flatcom Colora tened by my effort in the Rowdy, but within 3 days I was running normally. My body t, but Sam wanted one last-gasp race before it would go stale for the winter. On the

next Saturday I was getting ready to line up at the O.J. Logue Benefit 10kilometer in Orono, when Darren came up to see me.

I was eager to find out what comments Darren would have. We had all done so much better than Darren's figures said we should have done. We must be extraordinary creatures indeed, to be able to run at so high a percentage of our aerobic capacity.

"I took another look at those results of the English ultramarathoners' study," Darren said. "They averaged a pace which was at 67% of aerobic capacity, instead of the 60% I said before. The average pace of the Rowdy runners figures out to about the same."

Darren just didn't know when to stop talking. "Most people were at average, or maybe a bit below. Gary Cochrane was up there, somewhere around 70% of maximum. Diane Fournier was just phenominal; she was up around 75%, which would be decent in a marathon. I don't remember what yours was, Deke: I think it was around 65%. I'll send you the figures."

I was deflated. You mean to tell me that my race was well within my ability all the time? Darren was as much as telling me that the concept of U.R. was just a bunch of mystical hokum, an ideological dead-end. My body just performed the job it was prepared to do. Physically, I was well-trained but average. AVERAGE! Could there be anything more insulting to the ears of a crazed Rowdy veteran?

No... Darren wasn't saying that at all. He was saying that I was performing at about the same pitch as those Englishmen. Mad dogs and Englishmen...could U.R. be an international phenomenon? Someday I will go over there and stand in the shadow of Big Ben and find out if the limeys have it. Until then, I'd have to stay fit with the help of special food.

Did Cayton save any of that spaghetti sauce?

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MAINER RUMANING PHA LETTERS

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Dear Bob,

At our Christmas party this year, the Maine Rowdies will toast race directors everywhere. Maybe we can be of help. Whenever we direct a race, we have a complaints chairman. Usually Wayne Clark, Charlie Gordon or myself. Our answers are standardized:

"I didn't like the course"

DON'T RUN IT!

"Not enough water"

SET UP YOUR OWN STATION!

"Are you sure of the course's length?"

MEASURE IT!

"You messed up my time"

BUY A WATCH!

For the two or three bitchers and complainers there are hundreds who thank you.

Philip Soule U.R.

Dear Bob,

Check enclosed is for my subscription to Maine Running.

I would be very interested in seeing an article on winter jogging. These are some of the questions I'd like to see answered: What to wear; How much to wear; should you cut down on your mileage?; Does real cold and wind hurt your lungs? (example - Christmas day - 16°, 25-30 MPH winds - Should you skip a day like this?) Should you cover your mouth on such a day?

Thank you,

Terry Cousins

Dear Terry,

This is my third winter of running. I have very few problems with the cold but I have heard others complain about having breathing problems in the cold, dry air.

Last winter Dr. Charles Burger spoke at Phidippides and assured us that the cold air will not damage a runner's lungs. If you went out and sat for 2 hours it probably would, but you are using your lungs a lot in a long run.

I dress according to the temperature and wind. If it is above zero with no wind I would wear a cotton or wool hat, a long sleeve turtle neck with a t-shirt over it, cotton underwear, one pair of socks and a nylon suit with wool mittons. If it goes below zero or if there is a strong wind, I would add a hooded sweat shirt below my nylon jacket and sweat pants under my nylon pants. I used to wear a wool tube around my neck that I could pull up to cover my cheeks, nose, and mouth, but this year I find my heard helps insulate against the wind.

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I do my best training during the winter months. You don't have the pressure to race; you can get in some real long runs without worry of dehydration; it's easy to take a day or two off without guilt (especially days like Christmast) and there is less traffic and more time to reflect. I can do more mileage in 5 days than I can in 7 in the summer.

This winter I've discovered the joy of running snowmobile trails. It's simply beautiful in the woods and you will find that it's much warmer out of the wind. There is much less wear and tear on your legs and shoes too.

Perhaps the best rule is to run long on the good days and rest or go short on the bad. RUNNING AROUND ... BY SAM SCHUMAN

(A regular column in which the author—a runner who almost makes up in persistence and dedication what he lacks in talent—describes some noteworthy runs in noteworthy locales. The aim is twofold: first, that these descriptions may prove useful to those actually travelling to the cities covered, and, second, the accounts may hold some interest even to non-travellers who enjoy imagining a variety of running experiences.)

Running in New York City; or, is the Big Apple the Core or the Pits?

The answer, before any readers are overcome by suspense, if "both." There is probably no better single place in the world to experience the extent and understand the nature of the running boom of the last decade than in New York's Central Park. For most of us, that experience and understanding will have some very positive aspects, and some quite depressing elements as well.

But first, a word about running elsewhere in Manhattan: don't. Michael Douglas to the contrary notwithstanding, I suspect that jogging through the traffic of a major Avenue, or across the George Washington Bridge in a vehicular lane, is roughly the equivalent of running the wrong way down I 95 at midnight, in a snowstorm, without any protective apparatus. The experience would be exhilarating to palaces of luxury such as the Americana) the five or ten blocks up to 59th street and the south entrance to Central Park. But my experience suggests that this operation should be done quite carefully, and with no effort for speed, and jog back. If you are domiciled too far from the park to make this practical, take a bus or subway.

The park itself can be a bit confusing, but it is really impossible to get seriously lost. The major buildings at either end and along the sides are easily recognized landmarks from which to begin a run, and to which to return.

Routes: Since Central Park is roughly 2.5 miles long, and a half mile across, a very nice circular route, staying on the main drive around the park, is almost exactly a 10 K run. Enter the park at 7th Avenue or Avenue of the Americas (6th Ave.), and head right to "East Drive." Stay on this thoroughfare past the zoo (on your left) the Metropolitan Museum (on your right) and several cross-park streets and exits. About 2/3rds up the park, you will hit the large, central runners). Proceed around the Reservoir, angling to the right at it's northern end, to the end of the park and the turn-around of the drive, near a small pond and just after a swimming pool. The cross-town street just at this end of the park is 110th Street. Beyond is Harlem. Head back south on West Drive, with ends, to 59th Street.

What will you find if you run in Central Park? If it is a weekend, and the weather is agreeable, you will find so many people (and dogs, and baby carriages, and skateboards, and mounted policemen) that it will be very difficult to run more than a few seconds without swerving to avoid some animate or inanimate object. As could be expected, the range of characters to be encountered in this tiny (relatively) plot of trees and grass in the midst of America's major urban metropolis, is unbelieveable. The last time I was in Central Park, the range was a combination of huge and complex radios, carried on the shoulder,

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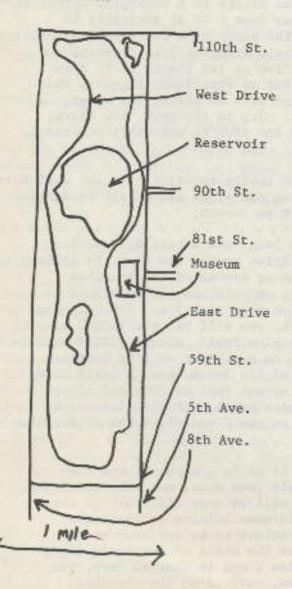
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long short snuggled against the ear, and blasting disco tunes, being carried by roller skaters, often surrounded by clouds of smoke of suspiciously non-kosher aroma.

If it is not a nice weekend day, though, what you will see in Central Park in staggering numbers, is other runners. In any weather, at any hour of the day. Fat runners, lean runners, black runners, white runners, affluent and well shod runners, poor and rag-tag runners, good runners and bad, alone and in groups, literally thousands of people pounding the pavement. Find one, or some looking amiable, or attractive, or challenging—and good luck. Next time: Washington, D.C.

Central Park



Running on. .

by Skip Howard

Music and running share qualities that both complement and contrast. There is, of course, the basic rhythm, the footstrike becoming drummer; the melody is expressed in that lyric coursing through you on the run. An informal poll begun on New Year's Eve (the first thought was to include running resolutions for 1981, but further consideration yielded the realization that setting down such optimism in print, particularly in the heat of a champagne-filled, runner-clogged party, could only prove embarrassing and depressing next November) provided some interesting song titles from area runners.

Bob Booker - Stop In The Name Of Love
Larry Lunn - It Keeps You Running &
Minute By Minute
John Frachella - Working My Way Back To
You, Babe (while skiing)
Kathy Lunn - The Long And Winding Road
Larry Van Peurson - The Entertainer
Ron Howell - Any Grease music from the
'50s
Theresa McLaughlin - Little Darlin'
& Echoes Of Love
Mary-Margaret Roseberry - Beethoven's
Symphony #5

There were many more, but the consensus was that music invariably springs to mind during the daily run. Leave it to the Doobie Brothers' "One Step Closer" to rescue me from Olivia Newton-John's "Hopelessly Devoted To You", a song that ran through my head for years, including the same race two years in a row. Don't ask me why!

The next great-selling, running-related item that modern technology will issue is the less-than-a-gram-in-weight-minia-turized-tape-recorder-ear-piece that will allow us to tape and play back our favorite songs while running, without making us oblivious to approaching cars, dogs, etc.

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Running Reflections

I have been subscribing to Maine Running since June after I picked up my first issue at the newstand sometime in the spring. The magazine is informational, inspiring and impels one to attempt to make a contribution.

After having spent the better part of my life in the field of athletics, running to me is another aspect of participation. Personally, I have been jogging, not running, for seventeen years, averaging anywhere from three to eight miles per day. In fact, I was on the roads at a "very slow pace" when it was quite unusual to be there.

I never ran a road race until March, when I was cohersed into a St. Patrick's Day Race. It was fun, another athletic experience, and a "new beginning" for myself. I had been training at about 40 miles a week and shortly after that picked up the mileage aspiring to run the Paul Bunyan Marathon. I ran 40-50 miles throughout the month of May with a few long runs spread out over the spring. In June, I picked up my mileage to somewhere between 70-95 miles a week and ran three 20 mile runs. I ran seven days a week, raced one day and did a limited amount of interval training. I supplemented my road work with tennis, racquetball and swimming.

I aspired to run a four hour first marathon but with my training pace this aspiration seemed unrealistic. I ran the twenties; my times were displeasing yet the three that I ran got progressively better.

I also read much material on running and training and attended a couple of pertinent conferences. During the last week of training, I ran a twenty early in the week and then drastically cut my mileage, not running at all the last two days before the marathon. I did stretch and swim. I also ate primarily carbohydrates, especially during the last three or four days before the event.

I ran the marathon under four hours (3.46.36) and reached a personal goal. I have been involved in competitive athletic throughout my life as a coach and as a participant. Training for and running the marathon rank high on my list of memorable experiences.

In reflection, I started to run some seventeen years ago to stay in shape. I never raced but now thoroughly enjoy the endeavor. I am not a good runner for many reasons, but I have improved. Maybe I won't be racing for the rest of my life but I know that I still will be running.

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NUTRITION AND ATHLETICS

by DR. JOHN FRACHELLA

Chapter 2

It is agreed upon by sports physiologists and nutritionists alike that the effect of training on muscle cell structure is the single most important variable that can alter human athletic performance, mostly because exercise increases the oxidative potential of muscles. Aside from this and assuming that all other factors are equal (training, ability, size, strength, and coordination) the diet is the next most important factor that makes the difference in a given individual's athletic performance.

The diet of the athlete can be broken down into 6 major components ranked here in their order of importance: water, fats, carbohydrates, proteins, vitamins and minerals.

WATER

Water is listed as being the most important component of nutrition because the average, well conditioned, adult, male athlete is himself 60 to 65% water. In his body, water is the most frequently depleted and most easily replenished of all the nutritional components. Water is necessary for temperature control, for enzyme functioning, for digestion, metabolism, elimination of wastes and especially for transportation and utilization of nutrients in the muscles.

When more than two thirds of the body's water is lost, performance declines. Dehydration as a result of heat injury can even cause death during athletic events on hot days. Prevention is, of course, very simple: water is necessary in adequate amounts before, during and after practice or competition. The literature is abundant with recommendations that water be made available in all athletic events

and that the athlete should determine PR the amount he wishes to consume. Overhydration is not nearly as big a problem as dehyration because athletes nut do not seem to completely replace wate ene losses even when they are encouraged t ath drink as much as they want.

FAT

The second most important component in the diet of an athlete is fat. Fat is most frequently used by muscles fles for energy and the body stores fat in an almost inexhaustible supply. Most The submaximal muscular effort (up to 70% used maximum effort in aerobic exercise) is by t fueled by fat. Exercise above 70% maximum effort (when the exercise becomes anerobic) forces muscles to burn carbohydrates along with the fats. As anerobic exercise continues and the athlete reaches the stage of 100% exertion, the oxygen supply can-noth not meet the demands of the muscles misun and carbohydrates take over completelito a because, as described earlier, it takes more oxygen to burn fat than ithormo does to burn carbohydrates. However, enzym fats are still the most frequently used fuels for muscles because for the greater part of a given 24 hour period in the life of an average sedentary person or an average athletportar muscles are in the resting state or and, o undergoing small workloads at levels muscle far below a maximum work effort.

CARBOHYDRATES

Carbohydrates are stored as glycogeribed in the liver (110 grams), in the muscles (250 grams) and in the blood (15 grams). There is a total of abouITAMIN 375 grams of glycogen in the body. The storage and the rate of utilizati Vitam of glycogen is of critical importance on-fue for performance. The stores of glycoltamin have been found to increase slightly f athle with physical conditioning and the rated. of glycogen utilization is drpressed nergy. in prolonged exercise, causing, in effect, a conservation of glycogen usage that relates directly to the amount of physical conditioning an individual upholds.

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Protein is the least important nutrient for the expenditure of energy. Since before 400 B.C., athletes have been nourished with diets especially rich in meat protein. The origins of this practice are obscure, but it is likely that in the case of beef consumption there was some association with the idea of consuming the flesh of a powerful animal that would give a human greater strength. The truth is that protein is not used as an energy source at all by the body except in starvation. Since a meal high in meat is passed through the gastrointestinal tract more slowly than a meal high in carbohydrates, the athlete who wants to eat meat just before an event would be better off eating nothing at all. This is not to be misunderstood: protein is essential to a balanced diet because it is necessary for tissue repair, for hormone production, for proper enzyme functioning, for the manufacture of antibodies, and for the formation of neurotransmitters in the brain (like endorphine and enkolphin). But again, protein is of little image athleteportance to the expenditure of energy and, contrary to popular belief, muscle mass cannot be increased by consuming high protein foods. If at levels an increase in strength and muscle mass is a goal, a well defined exercise program should be presas glycogercribed and extra calories should be eaten.

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of utilizati Vitamins and minerals are totally l importance non-fuel nutrients. The role of res of glycovitamins in the health and performance se slightly of athletes has been grossly overesting and the ramated. Vitamins simply do not provide is drpressed mergy. It is true that the B complex ritamins are important in the series of reactions that make ATP energy ausing, in tvailable for muscle work, but the f glycogen vitamins are water soluble and excess tly to the mounts are excreted in the urine. tioning an lat soluble vitamins like A, D, K and can be stored in the body, but exessive dosages can cause toxic accum-

ulations called coagulopothies. Niacin (or nicotinic acid) taken in excessive amounts inhibits the release of fatty acids that would normally be used as an energy source in endurance events. The megavitamin philosophy has no application in sports. If one eats a basic balanced diet, one receives all the vitamins necessary to be healthy. As an aside, it has been observed, with some chagrin, at Olympic competitions in the past that physicians from other countries claim to be able to identify American athletes by the nature of their urine it's the most expensive urine in the world, saturated with vitamins.

POTASSIUM

Potassium is lost through perspiration, but even so, it is adequately resupplied in a basic balanced diet. During heavy exercise in a hot environment, a few extra oranges, bananas, apricots or baked potatoes (whole, with skin) are enough to make up for any deficiency.

TRACE ELEMENTS

Calcium, iron, copper, iodine, glycine, zinc, cobalt, selenium, chromium, molybdenum, manganese and magnesium are all supplied in adequate amounts in a basic balanced diet. Mineral supplements are unnecessary and a waste of money.

Next month Dr. Frachella addresses Body Weight, Caloric Intake, and the Recommended Diet for athletes.





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Results courtesy of Brian Gillespie Race Director

SHAMROCK MARATHON TRIP MARCH 12-15

Time is running out fast on the deadline for the Shamrock Marathon Trip. Here's a list of your friends

who are going so f	ar:
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There are only 17 more seats left on the bus, so act quickly. You don't have to be a marathoner to go; many people are running in the 5 mile race.

If you feel that you are to "rowdie" to run in a flat marathon, come along, hell, the bus ride will kill ya!

Send me your name address, age, previous best, and a ten dollar bill to reserve a seat. There are only seventeen left, so act now!

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3:00 P.M. March 13th - Pick up packets

5:00 P.M. Hospitality Room sponsored by Tidewater Striders - Running Films; free fruit and beer.

8:00 P.M. Running Clinic featuring Dr. Dave Drez, in the Hilton Conference Center

10:00 A.M. March 14th - Marathon

T-shirts to all entrants. Shamrock Marathon patches to first 2500 finishers.

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Check out time 5:00 P.M.

Dinner (At runner's expense) before 8:00 P.M. departure. Arrive in Maine in early afternoon of March 15th.

Yes, I would like to reserve a seat on the Maine Running Tour to Virginia Beach and the Shamrock Marathon. Inclosed is \$10 (non-refundable) to hold my seat. Trip limited to first 36 applicants.

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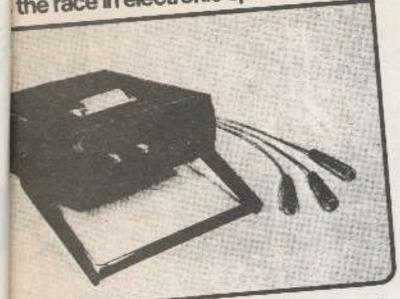
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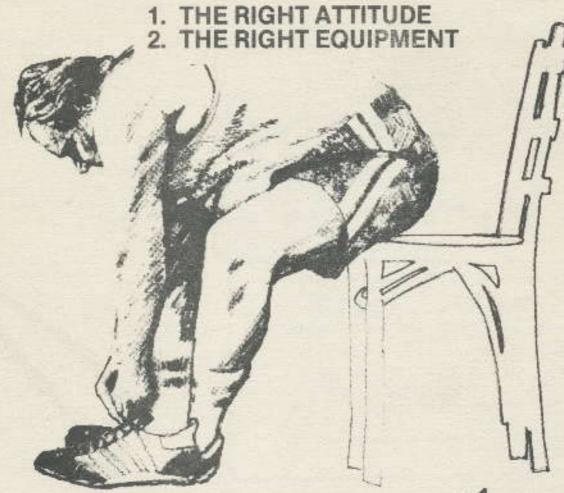
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